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**From:** Bahrman, Sarah  
**Sent:** Sat 8/8/2015 2:07:34 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Gold King Mine Release SITREP 2

Walt- Steven Way ([way.steven@epa.gov](mailto:way.steven@epa.gov)) is listed as the EPA contact on our website. We are trying to stick to a typical structure for communication under incident command so as not to overwhelm our field teams. My suggestion is to work through UT emergency response folks if you'd like to set up this additional chain of communication.

The team in Denver that I'm coordinating with is the group that will be releasing all data, etc. But obviously the field teams are our eyes in ears.

I will work this morning to get answers to you other questions (sampling plan details, current location of the leading edge, latest travel time estimate to UT, additional data).

Thanks  
Sarah

On Aug 8, 2015, at 6:49 AM, Walter Baker <[wbaker@utah.gov](mailto:wbaker@utah.gov)> wrote:

Sarah,

I missed this email from you.

No. We have had no contact with IC in Durango. We've only been communicating through you. It's surprising to me that EPA's incident website doesn't identify the IC team. How do I get contact info?

Walt

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 7, 2015, at 7:19 PM, Bahrman, Sarah <[Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov](mailto:Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Walt-

I hear what you're saying. I'll see what I can do to speed up the flow of info from our emergency operations folks. Do you have anyone from UT EOC in touch with incident command in Durango? That may help as well.

(Erring on the side of too many communication channels).

On Aug 7, 2015, at 6:46 PM, Walter Baker <[wbaker@utah.gov](mailto:wbaker@utah.gov)> wrote:

Sarah,

I've got to say, I am disappointed in EPA's website and feel it is inadequate.

- 1) the pictures are stale. EPA should have aerial pictures of the plume's location, and more recent pictures around Farmington and Durango. There should be a "plume tracker" depiction and time stamp.
- 2) there is no time stamp on the profile. How are we to know what the most recent update is and what has changed?
- 3) there is still no information on dissolved and total metals. I was given to understand from Joan Card that this info would be available by noon today.
- 4) I learn more from the Durango and Farmington newspapers on the status of things than from EPA website.

We have sent a monitoring crew to Bluff, UT. They will take pH, dissolved metals and total metals samples at a number of locations. They will deploy two sondes in the San Juan River to capture continuous measurements as well as take instantaneous pH measurements.

We'll keep you in the loop on our efforts. Thanks.

Walt

On Fri, Aug 7, 2015 at 4:52 PM, Bahrman, Sarah <[Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov](mailto:Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov)> wrote:

Walt- see below for info on how to access the OSC website where info will be posted. At the bottom of that page there's a link to a map where everything will be posted, including data. That can take a while so I will also try to get you updates by email or phone as they are available.

Thanks

Sarah

Begin forwarded message:

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**Subject: FW: Gold King Mine Release SITREP 2**

Greetings All,

Below you will find information on how to access the Gold King Mine SitReps and other information related to the site. Please share this with whomever is appropriate. Also, I apologize we missed a few of you when we updated the distribution list. We have or will add all of you to the list. If there are additional folks you would like added, please send their email address to Laura Farris ([farris.laura@epa.gov](mailto:farris.laura@epa.gov)). Thank you, Gina

Laura, please verify we've got all these folks on our distribution list and make any additional edits that come your way.

Gina Cristiano

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**From:** Farris, Laura

**Sent:** Friday, August 07, 2015 2:56 PM  
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**Subject:** Gold King Mine Release SITREP 2

Please find SITREP 2 for the Gold King Mine Release on the *Gold King Mine Release Incident* OSC website here: [epaosc.org/GoldKingMine](http://epaosc.org/GoldKingMine)

It is located in the “Documents” section of the site located on the right side of the page, or in the documents tab at the top of the page. It is titled: SITREP 2 Gold King Mine. All the SITREPS for the incident will be located in this location.

Also on this website, you can find photos in the “Images” section, and a map of the incident [you can find a link to the map in the lower left of the page].

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

***Laura***

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